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State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Representatives Present During the Inspection:							
OGM	Pete Hess						

Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070016			
Inspection Type:	COMPLETE			
Inspection Date:	Thursday, June 02, 2011			
Start Date/Time:	6/2/2011 8:48:00 AM			
End Date/Time:	6/2/2011 10:00:00 AM			
Last Inspection:	Wednesday, May 04, 2011			

Inspector: Pete Hess,

Weather: 60's F; clear, Windy.
InspectionID Report Number: 2767

Types of Operations

Accepted by: jhelfric 6/14/2011

Permitee: CANYON FUEL COMPANY Operator: CANYON FUEL COMPANY

Site: GORDON CREEK 2, 7 & 8 MINES

Address: HC 35 BOX 380, HELPER UT 84526

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: RECLAIMED

Current Acreages

Total Permitted	179.27
Total Disturbed	34.15
Phase I	32.52
Phase II	32.52
Phase III	0.73

Mineral Ownership

✓ Federal

✓ Underground

✓ State

✓ Surface

✓ Loadout

✓ Fee

✓ Processing

✓ Other

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

All snow has melted off from the reclamation area; only a small volume remains on the upper reaches of the Canyon. Mr. Chris Hansen, Environmental Manager with ARCH Western Bituminous Group, receives all inspection reports and correspondence relative to this site.

Inspector's Signature:

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Date

Thursday, June



Pete Hess,

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REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
 - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	✓		✓	
2.	Signs and Markers	Y			
3.	Topsoil		✓		
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	~		✓	
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	✓		~	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	✓			
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	✓		~	
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations		✓		
5.	Explosives		V		
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		✓		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments		~		
8.	Noncoal Waste	✓			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	✓		V	
10.	Slides and Other Damage		✓		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation		✓		
12.	Backfilling And Grading	✓		Y	
13.	Revegetation	✓			
14.	Subsidence Control	✓		V	
15.	Cessation of Operations		✓		
	Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing		✓		
	Roads: Drainage Controls		✓		
17.	Other Transportation Facilities		✓		
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations		✓		
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit		✓		
21.	Bonding and Insurance	✓		✓	
	Other				

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1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The current State of Utah permit issued by the DOGM remains in effect through August 27, 2014.

4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions

All of the reclamation channels were observed as being stable. Only the two upper forks of Bryner Creek were flowing inside the disturbed area. The Bryner Creek flow volume was the highest ever observed by this individual at this site.

4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

Jacob's Pond was discharging through the open channel spillay; no compliance issues were identified. The left fork was flowing into this impoundment.

4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

High flow conditions exist in Bryner Creek. Ms. Vicky Miller was notified of this.

9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues

Numerous ground squirrels were seen running about the site, and an adult rock chuck was seen adjacent to the second lateral diversion. No other wildlife was observed.

12. Backfilling And Grading

The stability of the site remains unchanged.

14. Subsidence Control

No affects of mining related subsidence were observed. All backfilled portal areas appear stable.

21. Bonding and Insurance

The Permittee's general liability insurance remains in effect through July 31, 2011. The surety bond which remains amounts to \$ 641,443.00. The three cell sediment pond was reclaimed in October of 2007. The rest of the reclaimed area was given a Phase II bond release in February of 2007.